

REMARKS

The present communication is filed in response to the Official Action mailed August 27, 2007 in the above-identified application ("Official Action").

Initially, applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's careful consideration of the application and the indication that several of the claims include allowable subject matter. As is explained in further detail below, in an effort to advance prosecution, applicant has amended the claims so that certain of the features that the Examiner considered allowable are recited in each of independent claims.

Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention the claim to foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §119. Applicant notes that the Examiner did not acknowledge same and respectfully requests acknowledgement thereof.

Claim 1 has been cancelled.

Claim 2 has been amended to recite "wherein said radio communication environment further comprises an adjacent ad-hoc radio network to which each radio communication device performs direct asynchronous ad-hoc communication without using a communication device as a control station." In this regard, claim 2 has been recast to recite the subject matter previously recited in claim 3. Accordingly, claim 3 has been cancelled.

Claims 4, 13 and 20 have also been cancelled.

Claim 11 has been amended to correct its form by reciting proper antecedence to claim 2.

Claim 12 has been recast to recite the subject matter previously recited in claim 14. Accordingly, claim 14 has been cancelled. Claim 12 has been amended to improve its form.

Claims 15-19 have been amended to correct their form so that they now properly depend from claim 12. In addition, claim 16 has been amended to further improve its form.

Applicant has also presented for the first time new claims 21-25. Applicant respectfully submits that support for

these claims may be found by reference to, for example, paragraphs [0038], [0046], [0071] to [0103], and [0108]. Applicant respectfully submits that no new matter is added to the application as a result of these new claims.

In addition, claim 21 is similar in scope with previously presented claim 5, which the Examiner had indicated included allowable subject matter. Claim 25 is similar in scope to previously presented claim 16, which the Examiner has indicated also includes allowable subject matter.

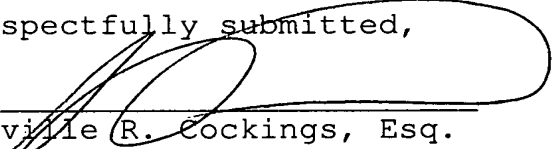
In view of the foregoing amendments, applicant respectfully submits that the all claims pending in the application are allowable. In particular, the cancellation of claims 1 and 20 overcome the Examiner's rejection of those claims under 35 U.S.C. §§101 and 112. In addition, as indicated above, applicant has amended the claims commensurate with the scope of subject matter that the Examiner indicates is allowable.

As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which the Examiner might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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